

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the Title with the following amended Title:

DIHYDROXY UNSATURATED FATTY ACID LINOLEIC ACID DIOL AND
GLUCURONIDE CONJUGATE LEVELS AS DIAGNOSTIC MARKERS OF DISORDERS
OF ABNORMAL REGULATION OF CYTOCHROME P450 METABOLISM OF
UNSATURATED FATTY ACIDS

Please replace the paragraph at page 1, line 11, with the following paragraph:

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Please replace the paragraph commencing at page 16, line 23 and continuing to page 17, line 4, with the following paragraph:

Figures 1 and 2 show that renal microsomal DHET formation is increased in the SHR relative to the WKY and this is due to increased renal EET hydrolysis. The NADPH-dependent formation of 11,12- DHET (Figures 1A and 2A), 8,9-DHET (Figures 1B and 2B) and 14,15-DHET (Figures 1C and 2C) was measured in incubations of WKY (○) and SHR (●) renal microsomes with [¹⁴C]-arachidonic acid (Figures 1A-1C) or [¹⁴C]-regioisomeric EETs (Figures 2A-2C). Values are the mean ± SE from three to six animals of a given age and strain (Figures 1A-1C) or means of two separate animals (Figures 2A-2C). Significant differences between

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WKY and SHR samples at a given age are indicated ($p<0.05$). The hydrolysis of all of the major EETs was increased in the SHR kidney.